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LETTER DATED 6 MAY 1993 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

We have received further information regarding Serbian and Montenegrin aggression against areas of free territory in Bosnia and Herzegovina. The 40,000 civilians of Zepa are enduring their third consecutive day of intense artillery bombardment. Reports from the Presidency of the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina estimate that at least 134 civilians have already been killed, and 215 injured, and nearly 300 are missing and are feared dead. Because the bombardment of Zepa has been non-stop, the dead cannot be buried, nor can the wounded receive treatment. We have received a more recent but yet not fully confirmed report that approximately 400 civilians have been murdered in Zepa, a third of them children.

To further aggravate the humanitarian situation, new Serbian and Montenegrin troops brought from the town of Han Pisejak have broken through the defence lines of the lightly armed defence forces. The civilian population is fleeing the town for outlying caves and forests. The town's hospital has also been moved to an outlying cave, which has already become overcrowded with the wounded.

The free territory of Tuzla also came under shelling for the first time in two weeks. Preliminary reports from the city have confirmed that at least three people (probably members of the same family) have been killed.

Today and yesterday, aggressor forces have continued to shell Sarajevo. The heaviest shelling was directed towards the "Stari Grad" and "Centar" sections of the city, which are the most populated. The number of casualties cannot yet be confirmed.

We ask that the Security Council take immediate and resolute action to halt these intensified acts of aggression. Especially with regard to Zepa and the plight of its civilian population, we specifically request urgent helicopter evacuation of at least 215 civilians already wounded, who are doomed to die, unless properly and swiftly treated.

May I ask for your kind assistance in circulating this letter as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Muhamed SACIRBEY
Ambassador and
Permanent Representative

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LETTER DATED 4 MAY 1993 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF IRAQ TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

On instructions from my Government and further to my letter of 6 April 1993 (S/25548), I have the honour to transmit to you herewith a table showing the 4,045 bombs, shells and rockets of various types found and disposed of in all parts of Iraq during the period 1-30 April 1993.

I should be grateful if you would have this letter and its annex circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Nizar HAMDOON
Ambassador
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Annex

Number of miscellaneous bombs, shells and rockets dealt with by civil defence unexploded ordinance disposal teams in all governorates, 1-30 April 1992

No.	Governorate	Number
1	Baghdad	3
2	Ninawa	51
3	Basra	1 428
4	Babil	5
5	Najaf	30
6	Karbala	8
7	Anbar	1 912
8	Maysan	5
9	Salah al-Din	-
10	Diyala	-
11	Wasit	113
12	Ta'mim	2
13	Dhi Qar	102
14	Qadisiyah	-
15	Muthanna	386
Total		4 045

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On instructions from my Government, I have the honour to inform you that United States aircraft continued their violations of Iraqi national airspace for purposes of reconnaissance and provocation during the period 25 to 30 April 1993.

25 April 1993

(a) Northern region: 16 sorties, flown at speeds of 600 to 900 kilometres per hour and at altitudes of 7,000 to 10,000 metres, centred on Mosul, Dohuk, Irbil and Amadiyah.

(b) Southern region: 10 sorties, flown at speeds of 600 to 900 kilometres per hour and at altitudes of 7,000 to 9,000 metres, centred on Nasiriyah, Busayyah, Qurnah and Qal'at Salih.

26 April 1993

(a) Northern region: No hostile air activity was reported in the region on this day.

(b) Southern region: 46 sorties, flown at speeds of 600 to 900 kilometres per hour and at altitudes of 6,000 to 9,000 metres, centred on Qurnah, Qal'at Salih, Nasiriyah, Shatrah, Samawah, Khidr, Salman, Busayyah, Ushbayjah, Jalibah and Artawi.

27 April 1993

(a) Northern region: 29 sorties, flown at speeds of 600 to 900 kilometres per hour and at altitudes of 4,000 to 8,500 metres, centred on Mosul, Irbil, Dohuk, Tall Afar, Zakho and Amadiyah.

(b) Southern region: 6 sorties, flown at speeds of 600 to 900 kilometres per hour and at altitudes of 8,000 to 9,500 metres, centred on Ushbayjah, Artawi and Lasaf.

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28 April 1993

(a) Northern region: 39 sorties, flown at speeds of 600 to 900 kilometres per hour and at altitudes of 6,000 to 10,000 metres, centred on Mosul, Irbil, Zakho, Tall Afar and Amadiyah.

(b) Southern region: 32 sorties, flown at speeds of 600 to 900 kilometres per hour and at altitudes of 7,000 to 8,000 metres, centred on Samawah, Nasiriyah, Basra, Lasaf and Busayyah.

At 1045 hours an American TR-1 aircraft carried out hostile reconnaissance over Salman, Samawah and Busayyah at a speed of 600 kilometres per hour and at an altitude of 20,000 metres. At 1548 hours, the aircraft was last sighted over Ansab flying in the direction of Saudi Arabian territory.

29 April 1993

(a) Northern region: 24 sorties, flown at speeds of 600 to 900 kilometres per hour and at altitudes of 3,000 to 9,000 metres, centred on Amadiyah, Zakho, Mosul, Irbil, Tall Afar, Dohuk and Ayn Zalah.

(b) Southern region: 52 sorties flown at speeds of 600 to 900 kilometres per hour and altitudes of 7,000 to 9,000 metres, centred on Busayyah, Artawi, Qal'at Salih, Basra, Qurnah, Shatrah, Nasiriyah, Samawah and Jalibah.

At 1040 hours an American TR-1 aircraft carried out hostile reconnaissance over the southern region at a speed of 600 kilometres per hour and at an altitude of 20,000 metres. The aircraft was last sighted at 1523 hours, flying in the direction of Hafr al-Batin in Saudi Arabian airspace.

30 April 1993

(a) Northern region: 16 sorties, flown at speeds of 600 to 900 kilometres per hour and at altitudes of 4,000 to 11,000 metres, centred on Mosul, Irbil, Tall Afar, Amadiyah, Dohuk, Ayn Zalah and Zakho.

(b) Southern region: 44 sorties flown at speeds of 600 to 900 kilometres per hour and at altitudes of 6,000 to 11,000 metres, centred on Basra, Nasiriya, Samawah, Salman and Busayyah.

I should be grateful if you would have this letter circulated as an official document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Nizar HAMDOON
Ambassador
Permanent Representative